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**ADMINISTRATIVE PROCEDURES NOTICE FILING**

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The purpose of this State Plan Amendment is to ensure the hospice coverage page and hospice reimbursement page in the Mississippi State Plan are alike regarding the benefit periods. The hospice benefit period allows for an initial 90-day period, a subsequent 90-day period, and then an unlimited number of 60-day periods provided a physician certifies that the individual is terminally ill or that the condition of the individual has not changed since the previous certification of terminal illness.

**This filing is compliant with the filing time-line requirement in accordance to Miss Code 25.43.3113.**

Specific legal authority authorizing the promulgation of rule: Miss. Code Ann. §43-13-121(1972), as amended

List all rules repealed, amended, or suspended by the proposed rule: Attachment 3.1-A, Exhibit 18

**ORAL PROCEEDING:**

☐ An oral proceeding is scheduled for this rule on Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Time: \_\_\_\_\_ Place: \_\_\_\_\_

☒ Presently, an oral proceeding is not scheduled on this rule.

If an oral proceeding is not scheduled, an oral proceeding must be held if a written request for an oral proceeding is submitted by a political subdivision, an agency or ten (10) or more persons. The written request should be submitted to the agency contact person at the above address within twenty (20) days after the filing of this notice of proposed rule adoption and should include the name, address, email address, and telephone number of the person(s) making the request; and, if you are an agent or attorney, the name, address, email address, and telephone number of the party or parties you represent. At any time within the twenty-five (25) day public comment period, written submissions including arguments, data, and views on the proposed rule/amendment/repeal may be submitted to the filing agency.

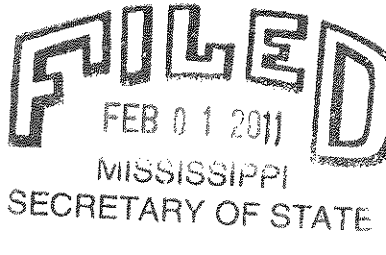
**ECONOMIC IMPACT STATEMENT:**

☐ Economic impact statement not required for this rule. ☐ Concise summary of economic impact statement attached.

TEMPORARY RULES	PROPOSED ACTION ON RULES	FINAL ACTION ON RULES
_____ Original filing _____ Renewal of effectiveness To be in effect in _____ days Effective date: _____ Immediately upon filing _____ Other (specify): _____	Action proposed: _____ New rule(s) _____ Amendment to existing rule(s) _____ Repeal of existing rule(s) _____ Adoption by reference Proposed final effective date: _____ 30 days after filing _____ Other (specify): _____	Date Proposed Rule Filed: <u>11-2-2010</u> Action taken: _____ Adopted with no changes in text <del>xxxxxx</del> Adopted with changes _____ Adopted by reference _____ Withdrawn _____ Repeal adopted as proposed Effective date: _____ 30 days after filing <del>xxxxxx</del> Other (specify): <u>January 1, 2011</u>

Printed name and Title of person authorized to file rules: Robert L. Robinson

Signature of person authorized to file rules: /s/ [Signature]

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The entire text of the Proposed Rule including the text of any rule being amended or changed is attached.